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**ROANOKE CITY COUNCIL  
ROANOKE CITY SCHOOL BOARD  
MONDAY, MAY 2, 2005**

**9:00 A.M.**

**ROOM 159**

**AGENDA**

1. **Call to Order -- Roll Call**

**City Council  
School Board**

2. **Welcome and Opening Remarks. Mayor Harris  
Chair Stockburger**
3. **Introduction of and remarks by Marvin T. Thompson, Incoming  
Superintendent of Schools.**
4. **Response with regard to the following inquiries by Council:**
  - **Venue for Patrick Henry and William Fleming High  
School football games**
  - **Status report on the Roanoke Academy for  
Mathematics and Science**

- Status report on the study regarding School uniforms
- Status report on the Blue Ridge Technical Academy
- Status report on School accreditation
- Status report on combining certain City/School administrative functions

**5. Response with regard to the following inquiries by the School Board:**

- May SOL tests
- Financial responsibility with regard to Victory Stadium for the 2005 high school football season
- Clarification on the proposed meals tax increase with regard to the William Fleming High School project
- Scheduling of a future City Council/School Board retreat

**6. Fiscal Year 2005–2006 School Budget.**

**7. Comments by Council Members/School Trustees.**

**THE SCHOOL BOARD MEETING WILL BE ADJOURNED.**

A communication from Mayor C. Nelson Harris requesting that Council convene in a Closed Meeting to discuss vacancies on certain authorities, boards, commissions and committees appointed by Council, pursuant to Section 2.2–3711(A)(1), Code of Virginia (1950), as amended.

**File#110–132**

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**File#132**

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File #2

Items listed on the 2:00 p.m. Council docket requiring discussion/clarification; and additions/deletions to the 2:00 p.m. docket. (15 minutes)

Topics for discussion by the Mayor and Members of Council. (10 minutes)

Briefings:

- Neighborhood Month – 10 minutes

CERTIFICATION OF CLOSED SESSION. (7-0)

The following persons were appointed/reappointed to certain boards and commissions:

Youth Services Citizen Board – Abbi Fitzpatrick, Sherman P. Lea, Jr., and James H. Smith for terms ending May 31, 2008.

Antwan Lawson for a term ending May 31, 2008.

Roanoke Valley/Allegheny Regional Commission – Council Member M. Rupert Cutler for a term ending June 30, 2008; and Robert H. Logan, III, to fill the unexpired term of Jennifer L. Pfister, resigned, ending June 30, 2006.

Metropolitan Planning Organization – Council Member M. Rupert Cutler and Vice-Mayor Beverly T. Fitzpatrick, Jr., for terms ending June 30, 2008.

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**ROANOKE CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR SESSION**

**MAY 2, 2005  
2:00 P.M.**

**CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER**

**AGENDA**

- 1. Call to Order--Roll Call. (6-0, Vice-Mayor Fitzpatrick arrived late.)**

The Invocation was delivered by Council Member Alfred T. Dowe, Jr.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was led by Mayor Harris.

Welcome. Mayor Harris.

**NOTICE:**

Today's Council meeting will be replayed on Channel 3 on Thursday, May 5, 2005, at 7:00 p.m., and Saturday, May 7, 2005, at 4:00 p.m. Council meetings are offered with closed captioning for the hearing impaired.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

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ALL PERSONS WISHING TO ADDRESS COUNCIL ARE REQUESTED TO REGISTER WITH THE STAFF ASSISTANT WHO IS LOCATED AT THE ENTRANCE TO THE COUNCIL CHAMBER. ON THE SAME AGENDA ITEM, ONE TO FOUR SPEAKERS WILL BE ALLOTTED FIVE MINUTES EACH, HOWEVER, IF THERE ARE MORE THAN FOUR SPEAKERS, EACH SPEAKER WILL BE ALLOTTED THREE MINUTES.

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## **2. PRESENTATIONS AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS:**

A Resolution memorializing the late Julian F. Hirst, former City Manager.  
**Adopted Resolution No. 37029-050205. (6-0)**  
**File #80-367**

A Resolution paying tribute to Dr. Belinda Childress Anderson, the first female President of Virginia Union University, one of the nation's oldest historically black colleges.

**Adopted Resolution No. 37030-050205. (6-0)**

**File #80-367**

A Proclamation declaring Friday, May 6, 2005 as Clean Commute Day.

**File #3-442**

A Proclamation declaring the week of May 7 - 15, 2005 as National Tourism Week.

**File#3-336**

3.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

**Approved (6-0)**

ALL MATTERS LISTED UNDER THE CONSENT AGENDA ARE CONSIDERED TO BE ROUTINE BY THE MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL AND WILL BE ENACTED BY ONE MOTION. THERE WILL BE NO SEPARATE DISCUSSION OF THE ITEMS. IF DISCUSSION IS DESIRED, THE ITEM WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA AND CONSIDERED SEPARATELY.

C-1 Minutes of the regular meetings of Council held on Monday, March 7, 2005 and Monday, March 21, 2005.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION: Dispense with the reading of the minutes and approve as recorded.**

C-2 Minutes of the meeting of the Roanoke City Audit Committee held on Monday, April 4, 2005.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION: Received and filed.**

**File#300**

C-3 Qualification of J. Granger Macfarlane as a member of the Roanoke Regional Airport Commission, for a term ending March 9, 2009.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION: Received and filed.**

**File #9-15-110**

## REGULAR AGENDA

4. PUBLIC HEARINGS: NONE.

5. PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS: NONE.

6. REPORTS OF OFFICERS:

a. CITY MANAGER:

BRIEFINGS: NONE.

### ITEMS RECOMMENDED FOR ACTION:

1. Amendments to the Five-Year Consolidated Plan for Fiscal Year 2000–2005; and transfer of funds.  
**Adopted Budget Ordinance No. 37031–050205 and Resolution No. 37032–050205. (6–0)**  
**File #60–91**
2. Execution of the 2004–2005 CDBG and HOME funded “Park Street Square” Agreement with the Roanoke Redevelopment and Housing Authority.  
**Adopted Resolution No. 37033–050205. (6–0)**  
**File #178–236**
3. Authorization to execute a Memorandum of Understanding with the Virginia Employment Commission and the Western Virginia Workforce Development Board to accept Workforce Investment Act funds, in the amount of \$2,500.00, for institutionalization of the Governor’s Career Readiness Certificate.  
**Adopted Budget Ordinance No. 37034–050205 and Resolution No. 37035–050205. (6–0)**  
**File #60–166–237**

4. Transfer of \$100,000.00 of Western Virginia Workforce Development Board Workforce Investment Act funds for Program Year 2003 Adult Program.

**Adopted Budget Ordinance No. 37036-050205. (6-0)**  
**File #60-236**

5. Execution of an Option Agreement by which the City of Roanoke will be granted an option by Fairways Group, LP, formerly U. S. Golf Properties, LP, to purchase certain property known as Countryside Golf Course.

**Adopted Budget Ordinance No. 37037-050205 and Ordinance No. 37038-050205 (6-0)**  
**File #2-60**

b. DIRECTOR OF FINANCE:

1. Financial report for the month of March 2005.

**Received and filed.**  
**File #10**

**7. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES: NONE.**

**8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

- a. A communication from the City Manager recommending execution of the first amendment to the Lease Agreement with Crown Roanoke, LLC, for rental of office space at 111 Franklin Road, S. E., for an additional three-year period, beginning June 1, 2005 and ending May 31, 2008. (Ordinance was tabled on Monday, April 4, 2005.)

**Adopted Ordinance No. 37039-050205. (6-0)**  
**File #373**



## 9. INTRODUCTION AND CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

- a. A Resolution reappointing William H. Lindsey as a Trustee to the Roanoke City School Board for a term of three years, commencing July 1, 2005 and ending June 30, 2008.

**Adopted Resolution No. 37040-050205. (6-0)**

**File #467**

- b. A Resolution appointing David B. Carson as a Trustee to the Roanoke City School Board for a term of three years, commencing July 1, 2005 and ending June 30, 2008.

**Adopted Resolution No. 37041-050205. (6-0)**

**File #467**

## 10. MOTIONS AND MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:

- a. Inquiries and/or comments by the Mayor and Members of City Council.

Council Member Cutler advised that the livery stable located adjacent to Roanoke City Mills off South Jefferson Street, which is believed to be more than 100 years old and has been used for storage by Virginia Scrap Iron and Metal, is now in liquidation; the Roanoke Redevelopment and Housing Authority has started the process to acquire the building, and it is hoped that a new use can be found for the livery stable in lieu of razing the structure.

Council Member Dowe advised of the death of long time educator, Ms. Nina Medley, and asked that the Medley family be remembered in prayer. He extended greetings to all mothers for a Happy Mother's Day on Sunday, May 7, and asked that all hearts be filled with kindness at this special time of the year.

- b. Vacancies on certain authorities, boards, commissions and committees appointed by Council.

## **11. HEARING OF CITIZENS UPON PUBLIC MATTERS:**

**CITY COUNCIL SETS THIS TIME AS A PRIORITY FOR CITIZENS TO BE HEARD. MATTERS REQUIRING REFERRAL TO THE CITY MANAGER WILL BE REFERRED IMMEDIATELY FOR RESPONSE, RECOMMENDATION OR REPORT TO COUNCIL.**

**Mr. William J. Bryant, Jr., 124 Fleming Avenue, N. E., spoke with regard to:**

**The condition of Williamson Road, i.e.: potholes and metal covers in the middle of the road that could pose a safety hazard.**

**A safety hazard with regard to traffic islands/left turn lanes on Williamson Road where longer vehicles protrude into the left lane of oncoming traffic.**

**The need for repaving portions of Franklin Road, S. W.**

**He commended employees of the City's Fire and Police Departments and asked that they receive hazardous duty pay in addition to their regular wages.**

**Mr. Robert Gravely, 727 29th Street, N.W., spoke with regard to the need for affordable housing in the City of Roanoke, a concern that the wages of the average City employee are not sufficient to purchase a house, loss of the City's population, a large deficit in the City's budget, use of taxpayers' money as incentives to attract large businesses to the City, loss of City revenue, and better accountability to the citizens of Roanoke.**

## **12. CITY MANAGER COMMENTS:**

**The City Manager called attention to a recent article in *The Roanoke Times* regarding the friendship that developed between a Roanoke City Public Safety employee and two fellow soldiers serving in Iraq which led to their relocation to the Roanoke Valley and their graduation in the near future from Roanoke's Police Academy.**

She advised that 31 City employees are active reservists, 13 of which are currently stationed abroad, and two employees have returned to the Roanoke Valley. As a result of certain activities by the City's Human Resources Department to prepare these men and women to leave and to return to the City's employ, the City of Roanoke was awarded one of seven Five-Star Certificates from the Employers Support of the Guard and Reserve Program.

The City Manager expressed appreciation to the community and to City employees for their participation in Citizens Appreciation Day which was held on Saturday, April 30, 2005, at Valley View Mall.

John H. Parrott, Chair, Stadium Study Committee, presented a report of the Committee transmitting recommendations with regard to Victory Stadium.

Representatives of Sutton-Kennerly & Associates, Inc., Consulting Engineers, presented a summary of their report with regard to Phase II, Condition Assessment and Evaluation of Victory Stadium.

Council unanimously concurred in a Plan of Action for Stadium Decision transmitted by communication from the Mayor under date of April 27, 2005.

Council, by consensus, approved the following:

- Option B (Hybrid) for Victory Stadium Football 2005, in the amount of \$136,000.00.
- For liability purposes, Victory Stadium will be closed to any activity other than high school football and the Western Virginia Education Classic.
- Concessions will be operated by High School Boosters Clubs.
- The school system will be required to pay the same rental amount for use of Victory Stadium.
- Athletic teams will be requested to dress for football games at their home school and the school system will be asked to provide a location for visiting athletic teams.
- The Victory Stadium Capital Account will be used to fund temporary improvements.

THE COUNCIL MEETING WAS DECLARED IN RECESS UNTIL WEDNESDAY, MAY 4, 2005, AT 8:30 A.M., IN ROOM 159, NOEL C. TAYLOR MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 215 CHURCH AVENUE, S. W., CITY OF ROANOKE, FOR FISCAL YEAR 2005-2006 BUDGET STUDY. THE BUDGET STUDY SESSION WILL RECONVENE ON THURSDAY, MAY 5, AT 8:30 A.M., AT THE SAME LOCATION, IF NECESSARY.



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***FISCAL YEAR 2005-2006***  
***BUDGET STUDY***  
***MAY 4, 2005***

***8:30 A.M.***

***ROOM 159***

***AGENDA***

- I. Call To Order (Council Member Dowe was absent.)
- II. Opening Comments:
  - A. Mayor:

Adopted Resolution No. 37042-050405 canceling the portion of the regular meeting of City Council used for the conduct of public hearings which is scheduled to be held at 7:00 p.m., on Monday, May 16, 2005, and amending Resolution No. 36762-070704, which established the meeting schedule for the Fiscal Year commencing July 1, 2004, and terminating June 30, 2005. (6-0)
  - B. City Manager:
  - C. Director of Finance:

**III. Items Referred To Budget Study:**

- A. Additional operating funds for Mill Mountain Theatre,**
- B. Provision of the same level of enhanced compensation for Sheriff and Fire-EMS Employees that was provided to Police Officers,**
- C. Cost-of-living increase for retirees and a supplemental allowance for health insurance for retirees 65 years of age or older,**
- D. Funding for the Roanoke-Salem Baseball Hall of Fame building,**
- E. Additional funding to cultural organizations.**

**IV. Other Items For Consideration:**

**V. Closing Comments:**

- A. City Council:**
- B. City Manager:**
- C. Director of Finance:**
  - 1. Budget Stabilization Policy, and**
  - 2. Use of Capital Fund Interest Earnings and Proceeds from the Sale of Property.**

**THE COUNCIL MEETING WAS DECLARED IN RECESS UNTIL TUESDAY, MAY 10, 2005, AT 2:00 P.M., IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER, NOEL C. TAYLOR MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 215 CHURCH AVENUE, S. W., CITY OF ROANOKE, FOR THE PURPOSE OF HOLDING A MEETING ON THE ADOPTION OF THE PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2006 BUDGET.**